

4 March 1968

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 4 March 1968

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DD/I advised that State has requested the Director's concurrence in State's responses to Senator Fulbright's twenty questions on the Pueblo incident. The Director asked the DDCI to review DD/I's draft comment to State.

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Godfrey drew attention to the report that, although a last-minute compromise was struck in Panama between the Arias and Samudio forces, the fact that Arias' people will be in the streets today will hardly ease tension. (See Action 1)

Godfrey provided the Director a memorandum on the situation in Laos.

Godfrey provided the DDCI a memorandum on the Argentine/Chile legal and territorial dispute.

D/ONE reported on Friday's briefing of several State and Defense officials concerning Standing Group 161 and noted that the briefing was educational for all concerned.

DD/S reported that on Thursday a system to ease traffic at the north gate will go into effect.

Warner advised that Senator Montoya will be at Headquarters Wednesday for breakfast, and it was agreed that DDCI, [REDACTED] and Bill Broe will join the Director and the Senator.

SECRET-EYES ONLY

DD/S&T observed that Friday's Soviet space shot appears to be a shakedown run of a lunar mission and that the space vehicle appears to have been fired successfully after three misfires.

DD/S&T reported that State has approved two U-2 missions over South China.

ACTIONS:

1. The Director asked Godfrey to produce Situation Reports on the Panamanian situation until the crisis significantly eases.
2. The Director asked DD/I to prepare alternative U. S. courses of action in view of the letter allegedly written by the crew of the Pueblo. (1700 hours today)

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SECRET-EYES ONLY